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Bill of health issued to the following-named vessel:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.
July 12	Imperator	New Orleans, via Cape Gracias, Nicaragua.	21	22	0
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NOTE.—On account of revolution in Spanish Honduras all persons leaving here must procure a passport. Twelve of the 22 passengers embarked on steamship *Imperator* were members of the crew of the wrecked Norwegian bark *Freden*, lost off Mazashapa (Pacific coast Nicaragua), June 15, 1908. Temperatures of all on board steamship *Imperator* taken at hour of sailing and all found to be normal.

PANAMA.

Report from Bocas del Toro, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Osterhout reports as follows:

Week ended July 21. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good. Present officially estimated population, 4,954.

Bills of health issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
July 15	Belvernon	Mobile	21	3	0	0
16	Fort Morgan	do	22	0	0	0
17	Frutera	New York, via Santa Marta.	25	0	0	0
19	Taunton	New Orleans	22	0	0	0

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Reports from Manila—Cholera and smallpox—Cholera in the Provinces—Inspection of interisland vessels discontinued—Inspection of vessels—Quarantine transactions, month of May, 1908.

Chief Quarantine Officer Heiser reports, June 15 and 23:

Week ended June 13. Quarantinable diseases were reported for the city of Manila as follows: Cholera 1 case, with 1 death; and smallpox 5 cases, with 2 deaths.

Owing to the onset of the rainy season, smallpox is gradually decreasing both in the number of cases and severity.

Cholera continues to be present in the Provinces of Capiz and Pangasinan, a total of about 100 cases per day being reported during the past week.

Within the past ten days 3 cases of cholera were detected upon the railway trains which come into Manila from Pangasinan Province. These were promptly isolated and there has been no spread from them. June 11 a case of cholera was reported in the person of an employee of a bakery in the district of San Nicolas. It is not definitely known how he contracted the disease, because he died a few hours after he was discovered, but there is circumstantial evidence to the effect that

he ate some infected fruit which came from the Province of Pangasinan. Since that date no further cases are known to have occurred in the city.

No consular bills of health were issued during the week at the port of Manila to vessels proceeding to ports in the United States or its possessions.

Week ended June 20, 5 cases of smallpox, with 2 deaths.

The inspection of incoming inter-island vessels, which has been made at the port of Manila since the Service established the quarantine inspection in 1900, as well as the inspection of arriving inter-island vessels at Iloilo and Cebu, has been discontinued. Only such inter-island vessels as come from infected ports will be subject to inspection. In view of the health organization which exists throughout the islands, and the fact that over three-fourths of the population of the Philippine Islands have been vaccinated, and that two-thirds of the territory of the Archipelago has been freed of lepers, it was considered advisable to discontinue the inspection which has heretofore been made of inter-island vessels, and if the circumstances warrant to confine inspections hereafter to vessels from foreign ports. In order, however, that inter-island vessels may be maintained in proper sanitary condition, arrangements have been made whereby these vessels will be inspected in port by Service officers, and the requirements with regard to cleanliness strictly enforced.

During the week consular bills of health were issued at the port of Manila as follows:

June 15, the U. S. army transport *Sheridan*, with 190 in the crew and with 507 passengers, was granted a bill of health for San Francisco via Nagasaki and Honolulu. The crew and the steerage passengers were bathed, and their effects and baggage disinfected at the Mariveles quarantine station. The vessel was partially disinfected. The baggage and cargo were either disinfected, or passed after inspection. All persons on board were inspected at the hour of sailing.

On June 15 the American steamship *Tremont*, with 142 in the crew and with 26 passengers, was granted a bill of health for Tacoma, via Hongkong and Japanese ports. All persons on board were inspected at the hour of sailing. The cargo and baggage were inspected and either disinfected or passed while loading.

On June 16 the British steamship *Sungkiang*, with 64 in the crew and with 41 passengers, en route from Amoy and Hongkong to Cebu and Iloilo, was granted a supplemental bill of health. The members of the crew were bathed and their effects disinfected at Mariveles.

On June 18 the British steamship *Tsinan*, with 70 in the crew and with 43 passengers, en route from Yokohama to Zamboanga, was granted a supplemental bill of health.

Quarantine transactions of the Service in the Philippine Islands during the month of May, 1908.

PORT OF MANILA.

Bills of health issued	158
Vessels inspected	304
Passengers on arriving vessels inspected	8, 108
Persons vaccinated	90
Members of crews on arriving steamships inspected	9, 068
Members of crews on arriving sailing vessels inspected	922
Number of persons quarantined for observation, suspects and contacts	56

Persons bathed and effects disinfected	278
Persons in quarantine	56
Persons remaining in quarantine May 31	56
Vessels in quarantine	1
Vessels remaining in quarantine May 31	1
Steamships disinfected	1
Steamships partially disinfected	2
Steamships fumigated to exterminate vermin	4
Sailing vessels fumigated to exterminate vermin	1
Pieces of baggage disinfected	371
Pieces of baggage inspected and passed	68

OUTGOING.

Steamships sailing without quarantine inspected and passed	12
Steamships disinfected	1
Members of crews on vessels inspected	911
Passengers on vessels inspected	1, 085
Members of crews bathed and effects disinfected	172
Passengers bathed and effects disinfected	817
Pieces of baggage disinfected	4, 211
Pieces of baggage inspected and passed	1, 342
Pieces of miscellaneous cargo certified	50, 242

PORT OF ILOILO.

Bills of health issued	15
Vessels inspected	90
Passengers on arriving vessels inspected	944
Members of crews on arriving steamships inspected	2, 208
Members of crews on arriving sailing vessels inspected	239
Persons vaccinated	27
Persons detained in quarantine during month	65
Vessels entering quarantine during the month	4

PORT OF CEBU.

Bills of health issued	14
Vessels inspected	161
Passengers on arriving vessels inspected	2, 083
Members of crews on arriving steamships inspected	4, 024
Members of crews on arriving sailing vessels inspected	165

PORT OF CAVITE.

Bills of health issued	4
Vessels inspected	4
Members of crews on arriving steamships inspected	455

PORT OF OLONGAPO.

No transactions.

PORT OF ZAMBOANGA.

Vessels inspected	8
Passengers on arriving vessels inspected	239
Members of crews on arriving vessels inspected	411

PORT OF JOLO.

Vessels inspected	3
Passengers on arriving vessels inspected	53
Members of crews on arriving steamships inspected	97